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the left on the address side of an covers is required for the cachet. An enclosure of medium weight should be placed in each envelope to obtain better impression of the cachet and postmark, and to prevent damage to cover or cancelling machine.

No provision will be made for point to point covers. However, at request of collectors, covers receiving cachet will be given directional service only to an office designated by the General Superintendent, Postal Transportation Service, and served by the first flight in each direction, and will there be backstamped and dispatched onward to destination.

Overprint Publicizes Fifth Trieste Fair

Trieste has marked its Fifth Trieste Fair by overprinting the 10-lire, 25-lire and 60-lire Italy-at Work stamps, according to P. Ostrow, Elizabeth, N.J.



The set was issued on June 27. The overprint incorporates the now-familiar AMG FTT abbreviation and the stylized Lily which is the insignia of the Free Territory. At the top is the Inscription "V Fiera DI Trieste" (Fifth Trieste Fair). The overprint is in red on the 10-lire stamp and in green on the other two values.

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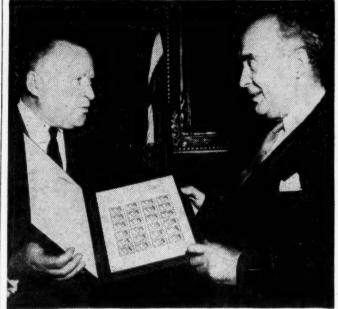
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The first day of use of this can-cellation was July 1.

AIR LETTER SHEETS

THE LATEST SENSATION IN AERO-PHILATELY A few new and recent issues all with imprinted stamps.

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AN ALBUM FOR PMG SUMMERFIELD. Paul V. Johansen of the United Nations Information Center (right) is presenting to United States Postmaster General, Arthur E. Summerfield (left) a commemorative album with sheets of the recently issued stamps honoring the Universal Postal Union. Usually, it is the other way round for United States stamps—the PMG or his representative gives such albums with a sheet of the new commem to certain designated persons.

Meet The Boss!

Mat Carter walked quickly through the station, fingering for the twentieth time the written orders in his pocket, assigning him as a substitute Railway Mail Clerk. He noticed the usual noise peculiar to all railroad stations—people laughing and talking, children crying, the shuffling of feet, and above it all the husky voice of the train caller blaring from the loudspeakers. A worried frown settled on his forchead as he realized the importance of his job.

"Hi, Mat!"

He turned quickly at the familiar call and his blue eyes sparkled.

"Why, hello, Ethel," he greeted the young girl warmly, "what are you doing in the city?"

"Didn't I tell you I had a sister living here?" she asked.

He shook his head.

"I decided to visit her a few I strip on the road."

He shook his head.

"I decided to visit her a few days and thought maybe I would see you. Your mother said you were going on a run to Minneapolis."

"That's right," he answered.

"Gosh, Ethel, I'm glad to get a chance at this job, but at the same time I'm scared. There are so many wrecks and I'm afraid I won't be able to make a go of it. I've heard it is plenty tough for a new man."

Ethel's dark eyes smiled her confidence in him.

"That's enough of that kind of talk. Train wrecks are a rarity,

"That's enough of that kind of talk. Train wrecks are a rarity, and of course you will make good. I don't want to boss you, but this is the first real chance you've had since graduating from school back in Worthington. You know there isn't any job there as good as this. Sure you'll make good, and maybe then we can get married."
"With that kind of backing, I ought to be able to lick the world." Then his face took on a serious expression. "You know I had an uncle killed in a railroad

serious expression. "You know I had an uncle killed in a railroad accident."

He took her arm and led her through the gates onto the platform. A young man approached them carrying two heavy bags. As he came up Ethel smiled and said: "Hello, Bob!"

At the greeting, the young man stopped and dropped the heavy bags on the platform.
"Hello, Ethel! I didn't know you for a minute." He looked toward Mat as Ethel said: "Bob, meet my friend, Mat Carter. Mat, this is Bob Holden."

They shook hands as Ethel

They shook hands as Ethel smiled at them, "Bob is a postal clerk," Ethel

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explained. "I've no doubt you will work with him tonight on your first trip."

"Well, that's fine," smiled Bob.
"I'll sure take good care of him.
Is this your first trip on the road?"

Mat replied that it was, all the time sizing Bob up as he laughed and talked with Ethel. What did this mean? Bob and the nineteen-year-old brunette seemed to be the best of friends. Then he teen-year-old brunette seemed to be the best of friends. Then he remembered Ethel Barton had lived in Chicago before moving to Worthington. He noted Bobwas a little older than himself, about twenty-three. His hair was light but he was short. But what did it matter? He looked at Ethel as Bob picked up the heavy bags. "The mail car is on track six," Bob said as he led the way down the platform.

Mat didn't reply and Bob smiled

Mat didn't reply and Bob smiled as he noted the question in Mat's

eyes.
"You sure have to carry plenty
of junk on this job. These old
bags seem to get heavier and

bags seem to get heavier and heavier."

As they walked toward the car, Mat looked at Bob and wondered what he meant by "junk." Ethel was walking between them. He saw her slip a folded paper into Bob's hand that held one of the heavy bags She quickly jerked her hand away as her eyes met Bob's, and Mat saw an understanding look pass between them. He turned his face.

"None of my business if she is

He turned his face.

"None of my business if she is writing notes to Bob," he thought. Bob threw the heavy bags into the car and climbed in after them. Mat turned as Ethel touched his arm. He grinned as he put his hands on Ethel's shoulders.

"Gonna wish me luck, honey?" he asked her. "Will you meet me here day after tomorrow?"

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Political Background From Which Trieste Originated by Bert Happ CHAPTER I

Initial Instalment Reviews

THE RISORGIMENTO AND THE UNIFICATION OF ITALY

In the Papal States the conservative and cautious Gregory XIV (1831-1846) had been alarmed by the rebellion in the papal territory in 1830-31, and he ruled severely though justly to prevent further outbreaks. He was succeeded by Pope Pius IX, an almost unknown figure when elected pope. Pius was supposed to be liberal minded, coming from a noble family long conspicuous for liberal politics. For three years his deeds fitted in with the idea of the people that they had a

rom a noble family long conspicuous for liberal politic years his deeds fitted in with the idea of the people that liberal pope. He granted amnesty to political prisoners.

A whole series of reforms was inaugurated in the Papal States: economic (railroads, codes of law) and political (relative freedom of the press, forming of a national guard, institution of a consultative assembly chosen by the pope from municipally elected lists). In most of the other Italian states there was despotism.

A new party appeared in Italy, the Neo-Guelphs, which had as its solution of Italy's troubles the expulsion of Austria and a confederation of the Italian states under the presidency of the Pope. Mazzini, leader of the Liberals, was carried away by the Pope's liberalism and wanted him to take the leadership in the cause against Austria and Italian unification.

All Europe looked to Pius IX as the leading liberal and the conservatives regarded him with fear and trembling, Meternich, Chancellor of Austria, did not like his ideals.

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It is unfair to Pius IX to say that in these years he was swept along by a desire for popularity without any objective. He was conscious of the need of reforms in the Papal States and knew delay was dangerous. But he had no idea of being the unifier of Italy, and he regarded the idea of the Neo-Guelph Party to make him president of a confederation as wild dent of a confederation as wild

He did see that conditions in Italy were intolerable and urgently

taly were intolerable and urgently needed immediate reform.

On the eve of the next cycle of revolution, the cause of the Church became tied up with the cause of freedom of the people. In 1948 revolution ran around the whole continent, starting in Sicily, spreading through Italy, France, Austria, Poland and every country except England, Spain and Russia. All were in favor of a constitution. All wanted a very democratic suffrage system.

Universal suffrage was established in France for the first time. The working classes were beginning to assert themselves. All the revolutions were nationalistic

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The year 1848 saw the first outbreak of socialism. Carl Marx had just brought out his Communist Manifesto summoning the proletariat of all lands to unite in overthrowing capitalism. This presented a new and serious enemy of the Church, because Marx and later socialists combined their economic theories with a philosophy of life which is anti-Christian and materialistic. materialistic.

Almost everywhere Catholics seized the opportunity to get freedom of the Church from the State. The year of 1848 marks the real beginning of the Unification of Italy and the loss of the Temporal Power of the Pope. Italy was divided as follows:

Southern Italy—the Kingdom of Naples, ruled by the House of Bourbon, tryannical and unpopular. Central Italy—the Papal States. Northern Italy—The Grand Almost everywhere Catholics

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The Kingdom of Sardinia or Piedmonte

or Piedmonte

Its population was mountaineers, vigorous and rugged, more advanced politically and economically than the rest of Italy. Here the House of Savoy ruled. Once it belonged on the French side of the Alps but by this time it was truly Italian, a house rooted in the soil of Italy by centures of possession.

This Kingdom alone of the Italian states had a good standing army of real fighters.

The House of Savoy was not particularly tyrannical, rather its princes were more progressive and were popular with the people. It was this state that took the leadership in Italian freedom and liberty ultimately. The ruler at this time was Charles Albert, somewhat a brooder, but a true Italian patriot, secretly hoping to free Italy from Austria.

The Parties of Italy

All Italians wanted the Austrians driven out from the peninsula, but when this was agreed on they were divided.

were divided.

The Moderate Conservatives wanted to keep most of the existing Italian states united into an Italian Federation, usually wanting the Pope as president.

The Repbulican Party distrusted all rulers but Pius IX, and wanted to sweep all dynasties away and make a unified or federal republic. The Republican Party did most of the active work. They had secret societies and started all the insursocieties and started all the insur-rections.

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Mazzini was their leader, a gifted orator and preacher of patriotism. All their plots and revolts had hitherto failed. By the late forties the Republican Party was distrusted and the public was turning to the Moderate Party.

The Moderate Party wanted all the governors of Italy to unite (Continued on page 3)



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Italian Tribute To Franciscan Saint

On June 27 Italy released a com memorative to mark the seventh centenary of the birth of Saint Chiara of Assisi. Collectors interested in religion, churches or saints on stamps will want it.



According to Vittorio Lo Bianco of New York City this 25L item is in red brown and brown and has a likeness of the saint at the top and a reproduction of the front of the convent of St. Damian below.

St. Chiara was a member of the Franciscan Order of Clarisse and began her apostolate of faith at the convent pictured on the stamp. The saint's portrait is said to have been adapted from a painting by Simone Martini.

Overprinting AMG FTI was ac complished to make this issue valid for postage in the Allied Zone of Trieste.

Reform Upsets Postal Applecart

Czechoslovakia's mid-June "out of a blue sky" currency reform had some effects on the announced prosome effects on the announced pro-gram of new stamp issues, and al-so made mandatory the production of denominations in the new cur-rency. All stamps prior to that date were demonetized which rendered them valueless for use.

The May 30 date for the International Music Festival two was shifted to June 19. Another post-ponement was the Physical Culture which will now come out in Sep-tember in new values and num-

Two Transportation commems or

Two Transportation commems orginally dated for August 8 will, appear then. The series for International Children's Day planned for June 1 was cancelled altogether. Definitives in the new currency appeared June 19 and are 15 heller green, 20h brown, 1Kcs violet and 3Kcs gray all picturing President Klement Gottwald. Also 30h blue and 60h red with a portrait of President A. Zapotocky. In early August two additional items with the Zapotocky picture will be rethe Zapotocky picture will be re-leased with values of 75h and 2Kcs.

According to the new rate of exchange one United States dollar equals 7.20Kcs. One Kcs (Krown Czechoslovakia) is equivalent to .123426 grams of fine gold.

Pleasant Surprise For Wichita Club Members

Members of the Wichta, Kansas Stamp Club were very much surprised when they received their July copy of the club's bulletin from abroad. The cover bore an Italian stamp and a Venice, Italy post-

Such a unique stunt was made possible through the cooperation of Mr. and Mrs. Harrie S. Mueller who took the bulletins with them on their European tour. Mr. Mueller is the group's first president.

Czechs Demonetize All Postage Stamps

According to a United Press dispatch brought to our attention by Joseph Barkman of East Taw;, Mich. all postage stamps of Czechoslovakia have been demonstrated and declared worthless for the prepayment of postage fees. the prepayment of postage fees.
This decree was effective June
19. Also cancelled out were state debts and bonds.

This arbitrary act deprived hold ers of the stamps and the bonds of any value of their holdings.

North Toronto Chooses Loveys

Canada's North Toronto Stamp
Club of Toronto, Ontario indulged
in the balloting for new officers
with the result that Newton
Loveys was elected president.
Vice presidents are W. J. Banks
and H. G. Gosney; recording secretary R. C. Tipper; treasurer J.
H. Whitehead; and corresponding secretary Gwen Dawson, 81
Day Ave., Toronto, Canada.
Meetings which are open to interested collectors are held on the
second and fourth Thursdays at

First Australian Bi-Color Commem

A 3½d postage stamp to com-memorate the 25th anniversary of the official establishment of Young framers' Clubs in Australia will be issued on Thursday, September 3, and will remain on sale at Australian post offices for appxoimately one month.

ly one month.

In stating this Postmaster-General Anthony said that Clubs of this kind were in existence considerably more than 25 years ago but they were not organized on a State basis until 1928. The first State organization (in New South Wales) was established on July 23, 1928, and in other States shortly afterwards. In 1952 the several State bodies became associated in an Australian Council of Young Farmers.

The new stamp will be printed in

The new stamp will be printed in two colors and will be the first Australian bi-colored commemorative. As such, it is of the nature of an experimental issue and its production involves the adoption of methods not previously used

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The design, horizontal in format, will typify the Young Farmers' Clubs movement and will depict a boy and girl with a calf. The overall dimensions, including perforations, will be 28.5 mm. x 23.5 mm. and, for technical reasons, it is necessary that it be issued in sheets of 100 instead of sheets of 120 as was originally intended. However, it is proposed in future to avoid the issue of sheets containing 100 stamps.

stamps.

Mr. Anthony added that the date of issue of the Young Farmers' Club stamp coincides with the opening day of a philatelic exhibition in the Town Hall, Brighton, Victoria, at which postal facilities will be provided.

provded.

The Exhibition will be open from September 3 to 5 and a distinctive-ly inscribed postmarker, as well as specially printed registration label will be used at the temporary post office to be established in the Town

Fine Fare For Topical Collectors

Flags on stamps, and Americana on stamps collectors will want the 15 dinar single which Jugoslavia is to issue for the 38th Esperanto Congress at Zagreb from July 25 to August 1.



The design submitted by the di-ector general of posts shows the Esperanto star, and a globe band-ed by a ribbon made up of flags of the various participating na-tions. That of the United States is prominently displayed in the cent-



Jugoslavia will also release a set of two to mark the 50th anniver-sary of the revolution which be-gan in Macedonia in 1903. Release date is August 2, denominations are 15 and 30 dinars.

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The low value pictures a patriot in the act of throwing a large boulder, a symbolization which the Postal Administration advises mirrors the intensity of the uprising. The 30d pictures Nicolas Karev who is said to have been the leader.

"G" Stamp Issued Without Fanfare

Israel Announces Airletters, Commems

According to the Israel Philatelic According to the Israel Philatelic Agency in America, Inc. Israel has prepared three new airletters to meet increased postal rates in denominations of 55 pruta (Europe), 100p (USA and Canada), and 120p (Rest of the World).

Also to come are four commemorative issues. One, August 4, a 110p will note the Seventh International Congress of Historical Science. It

is a portrait stamp produced by photogravure.

A week later on August 11, the High Holyday set of three, 20, 45 and 200 pruta, will be released to the public. Photogravure is used here to the produced to the public to the publ

here, too. On September 20 will appear the fourth Maccabiah commem. It will

lourth Maccablan commem. It will be produced in bi-color by photo-lithography in a 100p denomination.

An international exhibition with the title "Conquest of the Desert" will be marked with a 200p value on September 22. There are five colors for this one, brown, green, red, pink and black.

Quantities, Designers England's Coronations

The "Philatelic Trader", London, England, publication for stamp dealers, has made known the quan-tities issued of the various denomi-nations of the Coronation stamps of

These quantities are: $2\frac{1}{2}d - 2\frac{1}{2}$ million sheets; 4d - 230,000 sheets; 1/3 - 90,000 sheets; 1/6 - 64,000 sheets. There were five million of

the Coronation air letters printed. Designers are: 2½d - E. G. Fuler; 4d—Michael Goaman; 1/3—Edmund Dulae (deceased); 1/6—

M. C. Farrar Bell; air letter— Stuart Rose. The 1/3 and 1/6 are the first of such denominations to be issued in England.



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tial stamp.

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The UN Postal Administration announced that, as a result of the first day of issue of the new UN commemorative stamp honoring the Universal Postal Union on June 12, a total of 242,692 three-cent stamps and 231,795 five-cent stamps were sold; and a total of 231,627 covers were given first day cancellation.

Due to the various combinations of the two stamps used on covers, it is not possible to give any further breakdown.

TRIESTE (Continued from page 1)

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The Uprising—Il Risorgimento
In January 1848 an uprising in
Sicily to secure a constitution
started off the Risorgimento. In
Naples the Revolution triumphed
and the king granted a constitution. In Tuscany the constitution
was granted when the outbreak
started. In Piedmonte Charles Albert gave the consitution before
any outbreak started, which became the constitution of Italy when
united.

united.
In Rome the people asked the

In Rome the people asked the Pope for new concessions. He granted a constitution of a liberal type; elected congress and appointed upper house, a responsible ministry and freedom of the press. Rome was then a constitutional

Rome was then a constitutional monarchy.

The revolution had spread to the Austrian provinces of Italy. Milan had expelled the Austrians and Venice had followed suit. Charles Albert decided that the propitious hour had come and declared war on Austria, March 25, and led his army against the Austrian provinces of Italy with Italy's approval. The popular tide was so strong that other governments had to

that other governments had to send troops to join him. Naples and Tuscany sent armed aid.

This placed Pius IX in a delemma. Personally he was a warm Italian patriot, but he was Pope of all Catholics, and he could not Italian patriot, but he was Pope of all Catholics, and he could not bring himself to war on Austria, a great Catholic power. Yet if he did not, he would bring on himself a revolution. He sent his army to the northern frontier of the Papal States. The populace thought they were going to join the fight against the Austrians.

The leader. Gen. Durando, had

the fight against the Austrians.

The leader, Gen. Durando, had orders to merely defend the neutrality of the Papal States and keep out beligerent parties. When Durando arrived in the north, on his own authority and against the Pope's orders, he declared war on Austria.

Pius IX now came out into the open in a consistory of Cardinals.

open in a consistory of Cardinals on April 24 and stated he could on April 24 and stated he could not war on Austria. This ruined his popularity. He was now almost powerless in his own dominions. A radical parliament had been elected, and wore making a botch of the governing of the States. Political clubs tried to control the government by the mob. The Papal Army was almost wiped out in battles. popularity. He was now almost powerless in his own dominions. A radical parliament had been elected, and were making a botch of the governing of the States. Political clubs tried to control the government by the mob. The Papal Army was almost wiped out in battles.

When the battle in Italy began, revolution was breaking out in Austria also, and no reinforcements could be sent to Italy at first. Austria had four great forts on the border of Lombardy and landicelegials claimed the papal.

on the border of Lombardy and Austria, called the Austrian Quad-rilateral, the strongest military po-cition in Italy. and

sition in Italy.
Radetsky withdrew after several setbacks and waited in the Quadrilateral. The Italians beseiged them there for some months. Then the King of Naples withdrew his force. The Tuscans were called home. The Papal troops had been wired out.

the King of Naples and Grand Duke of Tuscany had deserted, and Charles Albert was incompetent, were their charges. The Republicans decided to take

The Republicans decided to take things into their own hands. Venice declared itself a republic. Florence drove out the Grand Duke and Tuscany was declared a resublic

save the situation by appointing Rossi, a liberal as his head statesman. But the radicals were determined to get rid of the Pope and did not want Rossi to succeed.

At Rome the Pope attempted to

On November 15 Rossi was stabbed to death. Next day the Pope was virtually siezed. Shots were fired into his palace and one monsignor killed. The political clubs demanded a radical ministry and the Pope surrendered to their demands to prevent blood shed. shed.

shed.

But the situation was intolerable for him, and on November 24 he escaped from the Qurinal Palace, and under the protection of the Bavarian Ambassador left Rome and went to Gaeta in the Kingdom of Naples where he would be under the protection of the King of Naples. This flight turned the populace against him. He took back his recent concessions. The radicals proclaimed abolition of the Temporal Power and establishment of the Roman Republic under a triumvirate headed by Mazzini.

Charles Albert decided to make another try against Austria, and

Charles Albert decided to make another try against Austria, and in March of 1849 he marched against Lombardy, only to be decisively defeated at Novara. After this he abdicated and went into exile, and died a few months later. He was succeeded by his son, Victor Emanuel II (1849-78) who stated that he was going to continue the liberal policy of his House and be true to the Italian Cause. There was no thought possible of continuing the war.

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Austria offered liberal terms of

Austria offered liberal terms of peace if he would abolish the Constitution, but Victor Emanuel refused, preferring onerous conditions of peace rather than abandon the liberal policy of his House.

The Austrians, now the masters of northern Italy, poured into the northern states and restored the despots in Parma, Modena and Tuscany. Rome was still a revolutionary hotbed. Pius IX was still at Gaeta, where he formed a lifelong association with Cardinal Antonelli, who was his Secretary of State from 1849-76, and a very able man, much maligned by his poliman, much maligned by his political opponents. He was personally loyal to Pius IX, and a tower of strength to him. Where Pius IX was impulsive and changeable. Antonelli was a stabilizing influence.

One of the first acts of the Papal Court at Gaeta was to appeal to the Catholic powers to restore the Pope and to put down the Roman Republic. Austria entered the Papal

Pope and to put down the Roman Republic. Austria entered the Papal States from the north, while Naples and Spain sent small expeditions. But France insisted in doing the lions share of the work.

The Catholics were in control in France, and Austria and France were historic rivals for control of Italy. In 1849 in April the French army besieged Rome for three months. Garibaldi bravely defended the city with recruits from all over Italy.

On July 2 the French stormed the southwest corner of Rome and on July 3 occupied the city, while Garibaldi fled. The Pope was restored to his Temporal Power. The French occupied Rome and its vicinity, while the Austrians occupied the rest of the Papal States.

Pius IX returned in 1850 and things were put back on the basis of an absolute monarchy with two consultative bodies, both appointed, one to be consulted

anticlericals claimed the papal rule was against the wishes of the people and could only be maintained by foreign powers. This dependency of the papacy on foreign powers, they argued, was contrary to the purpose of the Temporal Power, which was to give the Pope political independence so that he could freely carry on his Spiritual work as head of the Church

home. The Papal troops had been wiped out.
Radetsky received reinforcements and in the battle of Custozza Austria was victorious. Charles Albert and his demoralized army fled to Piedmonte, and he signed an armistice. Austria still held Lombardy and Venetia. The Italians threw the blame for the failure of the War of Liberation on their princes: the Pope had deserted,

troops were present, not to supress the Romans, but to keep out these revolutionists.

Pius IX and Antonelli maintained a complete independence from France. Napoleon III kept the troops in Rome, not because the papacy was his too, but because he needed the support of the Catholics in France. To please them and his wife, the troops remained. mained.

them and his wife, the troops remained.

Many voices in Europe were raised in opposition to this occupation. The defending writers of the time stated that there was no other solution to the Spiritual In dependence of the Pope except his Temporal Power, and this had successfully protected his Spiritual Independence for 1000 years. 250,000,000 Catholics throughout the world depended on the Spiritual Independence of the Pope.

After these revolts the Italian Peninsula quieted down for about ten years, Absolutism was restored in every state except Piedmonte. The rulers, frightened by the revolution, tried to crush all liberalism and opposition, and they became more odious and sanguinary.

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Austria occupied half the peninsula and the situation was worse than before the Risorgimento.

Yet 1848-1849 had done much to clarify the problem of Italian Unification and mark out the future solution. The Italians had seen ure solution. The Italians had seen all the rulers go back on the Cause but one, Victor Emanuel II of Sardinia or Piedmonte. Piedmonte had furnished most of the troops and leaders against Austria and had kept their Constitution. The Republicans had hindered the National Cause.

The more far-sighted Italians saw that the best hope of unifi-

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Trip To Washington

Your editor and Mrs. Linn will fly to Washington, D. C., on July 13 and will return home on the 15th. This trip will be made for the purpose of attending the ceremonies incident to the issue of the new 5c stamp honoring Matthew Calbraith Perry for his negotiations with Japan which opened up the Japanese Empire to world trade.

A special invitation has been received by Mr. and Mrs. Linn from John Foster Dulles, Secretary of State, to attend these ceremonies in the new State Department Auditorium on Tuesday, July 14th at 2:30 o'clock.

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Participating in this commemorative program will be His Excellency Eikichi Araki, the Ambassador of Japan, the Honorable Arthur E. Summerfield, Postmaster General, and the Honorable Robert B. Anderson, Secretary of the Navy.

Coronation Covers

You should all remember that Coronation day for Queen Elizabeth was June 2. That fact is attested also by most cacheted covers which have this date printed on

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Most all British Post Offices were closed on Coronation day and as a result states that only the Foreign Branch of the London Chief post office was open and doing business on that date. Cap Fluegel's correspondent discovered this fact and had the supply of covers for him canceled at this office with the correct Coronation day date. In addition to his supply this correspondent states that he had learned that another lot of 27,000 covers for overseas delivery were also canceled. Beyond that it is believed that all other Coronation covers bear a June 3 date.

The 27,000 referred to above were individually addressed and not a dealer lot, so it is very possible that most covers supplied by dealers over here will bear a June 3 date.

To An Old Timer

We are a bit late with this congratulatory greeting but we want to write it. On June 23 Max Ohlman was 72 years old. Max has been a bright light in the field of stamp dealing in America for most of those 72 years. One point in his career which he values most was a period during which he had a great deal of philatelic business direct with the late President Roosevelt.

To us however we have a period of time that we want to refer to in our dealings with Max Ohlman.

Max is the one and only stamp dealer in the whole world who became an advertising patron of Linn's Weekly Stamp News with its first issue and has continued as a steady customer in every issue since that date. This is a record now of almost 25 years, will be 25 years this fall. We doubt if any other stamp dealer or any other philatelic publication can present a record any more lengthy than that for continued cooperation.

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that for continued cooperation.

After a great many years as a straight dealer Max entered the Auction field and ran his number of sales up to quite high figures. In more recent years he has had to give up such strenuous work and has settled down to a calmer bit of business, part of which is acting as agent for Auction buyers at any sale in New York City.

We congratulate Max Ohlman on his many years in the stamp trade and on the integrity with which he has practiced his trade. We hope he will be with us for many more years to come.

For Unicans

No doubt among our great many collectors in Ohio, there are some who have other hobbies or perhaps this will appeal to the little woman in your family.

As you know this is sesquicentennial year in Ohio. We have issued a special postage stamp about which you all know, but how many of you know that there is also a recognized and official Sesquicentennial China Plate. This is a beautiful full size dinner Plate of pure white, china. It shows the original old Capitol Building at Chillicothe in the center while around the rim are 17 stars, all done in an old rose red color.

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The July 27 edition will be sponsored by the Postmark Collectors Club. They will supply various news articles and illustrations pertaining to their specialty. Dealers who have material falling in this category, including literature on the subject, might want to advertise their stocks at that time. Such advertising copy for the "special" should be marked "Hold for Postmark Collectors Club Special Edition July 27". Prodding for such copy is July 15. Deadline for such copy is July 15.

pages that we formerly offered. Our Black page, our Silver Streak Page our Perpetual Page and several others have been asked for by many who had built collections on these pages.

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election.

First day of issue was June 25.
On the stamps for regular postage there are no numerals of value, only very small words of value and the numerals on the air set are rather small and difficult to read. Such issues undoubtedly will cause much confusion and slow handling.

NHPOS Announces Sixth Mail Auction

Catalogs for the sixth mail auction sale are available from the National Highway Post Office Society secretary, Virgil J. Geary, P.O. Box 342 Dayton 1, Ohio.

Much of the material pertains to the group's specialty some of

the group's specialty, some of it in the scarce category, However, there are also a number of lots of stamps and covers of a general na-ture including first Hights, airport dedications, domestic and foreign first day covers.

New Post Offices Opened In Israel

Five new post offices have been opened in Israel and two new special commemorative cancels have originated in the same country, according to P. Ostrow, Elizabeth, N.J.

The new post offices and their opening dates (each marked by special cancel) are:
May 5 — Saar Mnase (Village of the Aged)
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May 24 — Tel Ganim (Branch of Ramat Gan — No. 11)
June 7 — Mabaret Petah Tiqwa
Special commemorative cancellations were used to mark the 50th
Anniversary of Kfar Saba (May
14) and the 70th Anniversary of
Nes Ziona (May 27.) The former
cancel shows the coat of arms of
the settlement, while the latter incorporates the Jewish flag.

Sanabria Publishes

The current issue of Sanabria's Air Post & British Empire News contains the first supplement to the Sanabria Air Post Catalog bringing it to April 30, 1953. All air issues that have made their appearance since the catalog was put on sale, have been included, also many additional listings as well as price changes. changes

85 million).

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ington, D. C. February 23, 1018—Ohio Sesqui 3c, Chillicothe, Ohio, March 2. 1019—Washington Territorial 3c, Olympia, Wash., March 2. 1020—Louisiana Purchase, St. Louis, Mo., April 30.

Louis, Mo., April 30. C47—Aviation 6c, Dayton, Ohio, May 29.

collectors can send a reasonable number, each with a name and address, and enclosing a stuffer, to the c/o Postmaster of the designated first day city with a request for first day service. Payment must accompany to cover the face value of the stamps to be affixed to the covers.

Catalog Supplement

changes.

In addition to the air stamps and of special interest to the "Queen Elizabeth" era collector, are twelve full pages, listing for the first time all stamps of the British Commonwealth and Empire that were issued since the accession of Her Majesty. Fully priced and illustrat-

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Ho boy, did I outwit the Post Office Department!

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(Now don't somebody write in and caustically ask, "What with?")

A couple of weeks ago I guessed that the color of the 5c Commodore Perry commen due July 14 would be blue. You will remember the POD in the official announcement stated the "color would be announced later."

Well I guessed blue knowing from

Well I guessed blue knowing from past experience the Department does just the opposite of what I suggest. This master stroke of ap-plied psychology worked for it has been revealed that the color will been revealed be GREEN.

Our five-centers have always been blue to conform to the Uni-versal Postal Union regulations which called for that color for the stamp which pays the first weight of international first class mail via surface carrier.

Since the most recent of the UPU postal conventions, in Belgium some months ago, I believe, it was agreed to drop the color provisions. Originally, postal help was not too literate. Thus when they saw a certain color stamp on a certain class of mail, this told them the postage was sufficient and they would not have to claim postage

due.
Postal helpers throughout the world are now educated people and have no need for such "crutches" as a color scheme for rate iden-

All regular and commemorative 5c denominations for years and years were printed in a color of the blue family, including ultramarine, indigo and lilac. Bi-colors had blue and another color, usually black. Now —

1. Name the one commemorative fall there is used by the IV.

of all those issued by the U. S. which is not in a "blue family" color, and the color in which it

appeared. (Flags not included).

2. Which was the last regular in other than a "blue family" color, and what was the color?

A Griffin, Ga. collector sent a block of the Red Cross commem (1952) for a look and an explana-tion. It appeared to be the lower left block of a lower left pane. You plate number collectors will recognize that that's the place where a plate number should appear in the selvedge.

this "supposed-to-be" plate But this "supposed-to-be" plate block did not have a plate number - nor even a trace of one. How cum, our Georgian wanted to know

A rarity? Inspection indicated that the item was the lower left block of an upper left pane — those do not have the number. Apparently, the selvedge along the bottom of the pane had been cut wider than is usual at the Bureau of Engraving and Printing when the panes were severed from the sheet and this left room for "playing."

The straight-edge along the bottom of the block was made either the panes were severed from the straight-edge along the bottom of the place of the panes was easiers or a rear plade and

by a scissors or a razor blade and it was cut whopper-jawed (at a slant). Such "home-cut" jobs have slant). Such "home-cut" jobs have recognizable characteristics unlike the power shears the Bureau uses. I do not know whether it would be possible to have a plate block without the number, where the stamps have their full measure of color. If the stamps are printed, then the number has to be, in the pormal processes of production.

normal processes of production.

It is not out of the question to find varieties caused when there has been a mis-alignment of the sheets when they are cut apart into panes. Such show up frequent-

The gimmick of examining the straight edge to determine how it has been cut is one you can add to your store of philatelic informa-MYSTIC STAMP COMPANY are doing some stampic "deteckativin" on a suspicious item you tivin" on a suspicious item you can solve the case yourself!

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1953 PRICE LIST

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The sad experience of a Buffalo, N. Y. cover fan might keep some of you out of similar disappointment. He had taken what he believed were the required steps to get covers on the jet flight out of Dayton May 30.

ayton May 30.

He sent five envelopes with his name and address thereon, and en-closing a stuffer, plus 30c in coin to cover the cost of five airmail stamps to be affixed. When he restamps to be affixed. When he re-ceived them they had the new May 29 airmail and the first day can-cellation. They weren't put on the jet flight which originated from the

same post office.
Sure he was disappointed nad — and he wanted to know here the blame rested. The original Post Office Departmad -

ment instructions for the prepara-tion of the jet flight covers had the following: — "Philatelic air mail covers for

"Philatelic air mail covers for this flight should be sent to the postmaster at Dayton, Ohio and must be prepaid at the appropriate air mail postage rate. It should be noted that it will not be possible to honor requests for the application to covers intended for this flight of the new 6-cent air mail stamp which will be placed on sale at Dayton, Ohio May 29, 1953."

Our collector friend failed to follow instructions. The envelopes he

low instructions. The envelopes he sent were not "prepaid at the appropriate air mail postage rate," that is, each bear six cents worth of postage, and the notice specifically stated that none of the new stamps would be applied to covers stamps would be applied to covers at the post office.

The latter is understandable since

they had thousands of first day covers to handle. Likewise it has always been the practice in the past to use covers bearing stamps, for the special cacheted flights the POD opens to cover fans.

The obvious suggestion is that one must read the directions contained in any such philatelic news articles throughly, and follow them to the letter. That includes application to the world's philatelic agencies for stamps, offers of cachets by clubs and organizations, and like matters.

Such directions tell what the servsich directions ten what the servicing organization requires in the way of cooperation and payment by pstrons. They try to make things simple as possible for themselves and those applying for the offer.

and those applying for the offer. Yet even so, time after time, patrons will ignore all directions and do as they please. Such noncooperators generally suffer.

Ray Albrecht of Blacksburg, Va. mixed some philatelic enjoyment with his vacation if several items

with his vacation it several items he has sent me are evidence.

Apparently he had his itinerary planned. From various points of interest along the way he has mailed picture cards on which he has af-fixed a commem. This commem on the picture side ties in with the scene, and is cancelled with a post-mark appropriate to both. You wouldn't exactly call them a

maximum card but they are along the same line.

Earl Fohl of Lansing, Mich. tells me that "interested parties" are nibbling at the Post Office Department fortress with the intention to breech the defenses to gain a commem for the 100th anniversary of Michigan State College. The actual date is February 12, 1955, and that's

when the Michiganders want it.
I don't think they'll make it for a couple of Eastern universities with much more age were not able to cop a stamp. The Lansing school is undoubtedly a football power, and no doubt does right wall observed. and no doubt does right well educa-tionally, and has alumni and stu-dents from many parts of the na-tion. But outside of that such recog-nition wouldn't be of the "national importance" kind.

In commenting on the sought stamp, the Lansing State Journal

"Local stamp collectors said they couldn't recall that any other col-lege or university had ever been singled out in just this way before."
Shades of the Washington & Lee
University stamp of 1949!!

A reader who knows about it wondered in a letter how my numwondered in a letter how my num-ber two hobby — vegetable garden-ing — is making out this year. The answer is very well, although I thought for the first two weeks the moles had wrecked all my sweet corn and peas. They did the peas but the Country Gentleman

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The 5c Columbian of 1893 chocolate. 2. The 5c chocolate of the 1895

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He discovered the Pacific ocean on September 24, 1513, named it "El Mar del Sur" (South Sea) and "took possession of it for Spain." (How does one take possession of an ocean — carry it home in pacifs?)

an ocean — carry it nome in pails?)

He made other journeys of exploration during the following two years and finally served under one Pedrarias, who had been appointed the current governor of Panamas

Relations eventually seem to have become strained between the two gentlemen, and Pedrarias, being the boss-man, had Balboa arrested for sedition (probably falsely, my reference-book says). He was tried and convicted and senwas their and converted and self-tenced to death, and because there were no courts of appeal and ha-beas corpus or things in those days, they just chopped off his head with-out hestitation or consideration for his standing in the community. And that was that

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MEET THE BOSS (Continued from page 1)

She looked soberly at Mat. "Of course I wish you luck, Mat." His embarrassed grin amused her. "You know I have an aunt living in Minneapolis. Haven't seen her in years. I'll be here, you silly boy, day after tomorrow. Wont go home until the end of the week."

week."
Mat looked up and down the platform then at Ethel, the uncertain grin still on his face. She laughed teasingly and kissed him quickly. "Goodbye and the best of luck,"

she called hurrying toward the station.

He climbed into the mail car wiping the black from his hands on a mail bag. Bob came up to

on a mail bag. Bob came up to him grinning.
"Mat, want you to meet the foreman, Cy Hartwell. Cy, this is the new sub, Mr. Carter."

Mat shook hands with Cy sizing him from head to feet. He was much older than Bob, around fifty. He was tall and rawboned, and he didn't appear very friendly.

ly.
"So you're the new sub, eh? Had
any experience in a mail car?"
Mat shook his head.

Mat shook his head.

"Just brand new, eh? Why do
I get all the new guys? The office must think I want to break
in all the new men." Then with
a surly grin and lowered voice he "Suppose you taught school, too."
"No," Mat answered.

roo, Mat answered. "I only graduated a couple of years ago. I know nothing about this work, but I am sure I can learn."
Cy turned to the letter case with a brief dismissal. "Well, we'll see."
Mat looked around the

Mat looked around the car. He mat looked around the car. He saw the pouches and sacks hung in the racks, their mouths agape to receive the mail. Where was his desk? He noted the letter cases on both sides of the car. A narrow table ran the length of the cases with a longer one near the racks. He looked, a puzzled expression on his face as Cy turn-

expression and the determinant of the description of the distribution, have you?" he asked.

Mat shook his head.

"Then you can give Bob a hand

Then you can give Bob a hand

on the paper case."

Slipping a pair of overalls over his other clothing, he walked to the table where Bob was sorting

papers and throwing them into the various sacks. He watched a little while noticing how easy it was for Bob who never hesitated in putting a paper into the right

He picked up a few papers and looked over the rack, then laid them down on the table.

Bob smiled. "You'll get the hang of it after awhile," he said.

"Just dump the sacks on the table and turn the addresses all facing the way"."

this way."

Mat's shoulders relaxed. A grin spread over his face. Why, this wasn't going to be bad at all. He grabbed a sack and the grin disappeared. He grunted. That sack

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vas a lot heavier than he thought, He heaved it up on the table.

"That one must have a chunk of iron in it," he said dumping it on the table.

Bob laughed. "Yes, we get plenty of those heavy ones."

As Mat worked, disturbing thoughts annoyed him. Would he ever be able to work mail as Bob worked it. This job wasn't as easy as he had thought. What was in that note Ethel gave Bob? What a lot he had to learn before he could work mail.

He watched Bob to learn all he could.

"Now remember, Mat," Bob told him. "You can't learn it all on one trip. I have been in the business three years and learn something new each trip. Keep your eyes open and don't be afraid to ask questions."

He helped Bob at the door as the last load or "drop" was taken into the car. John Reedley, the train conductor, was standing on the platform watching the loading of the mail. He glanced at the watch in his hand. When the last bag was in the car, he gave the bag was dead the car, he gave the signal and the train moved slowly out of the station.

Mat helped Bob at the pouch rack. The letter packages were distributed into the different pouches, the working packages were thrown on the table where Cy was cutting them down and working them into the cases.

He watched Cy, who was working the letters into the cases, not mg the letters into the cases, not paying much attention to what was going on around him. He noticed Cy didn't hesitate in casing any letter, but worked with clock-like regularity. Both the older men were working much faster since the train started to move.

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The train slowed down for the first stop at Milltown.

"Mat," Bob told him, "go over in the storage car and unload the Milltown mail. It's just to he left of the door. I'll work the door of this car."

He went through the end door into the storage car and unloaded.

into the storage car and unloaded the mail to the man on the truck, then came back and helped Bob at the door

As the train left the station, he again assisted at the racks. Cy went into the storage car to check the amount of mail over there, and when he came back he looked

at Mat.
"Why didn't you unload all of it?" he asked.

Mat looked at Cy. "I thought

"Well, you have another think coming," retorted Cy, "There was more Milltown mail on the other side of the door." Cy looked peeved but said nothing more.

Bob came up from the other end of the car.

of the car.

of the car.

"That was my fault, Cy. I didn't tell Mat about it. It just slipped my mind."

When all the papers were worked, Mat asked Cy: "What can I do now?" He answered without turning around. "Try your hand at that letter case." He nodded toward a case on the other side of the car.

Mat looked over the letter case at the boxes labeled to the larger

at the boxes labeled to the larger towns. After awhile, he noticed he had accomplished very little. The swaying of the car made it difficult to stand up. Bob encouraged him from time

to time.
"You'll soon get onto it. Sure is discouraging at first, but keep

on trying."

He made better progress with
Bob's help, and after awhile the
mail was all worked. They sat
down for a breathing spell and a sandwich.

As the train came to a grinding stop at Spencerville, Cy told Mat: "Go over in the storage car and load the pouches. Pile them in the front stall with the labels out. Bob and I will load this car."

The storage car was between the mail car and the engine. Mat came back to the working car as the train got under way. He walked up to Cy and handed him the card slide labels from the

the card slide labels from the pouches. Cy's lip dropped as Mat staggered against the letter case. "You dumb bunny!" Cy exploded. "I told you to pile the pouches with the labels toward the aisle so they could be checked—not take them out of the holders."

Mat breathed deeply and his face turned deathly white. He sat down on the letter table. Cy sat down on the letter table. Cy pranced up and down the alsle, kicked a stool out of his way and spat on the floor. Turning to the letter case, he mumbled to no one in particular. "Well, I'll be d—d-that's about the dumbest trick I ever heard of a sub doin'; took the labels out of the pouches! Any two-year old kid would have known better than that. Why - -" He shook his head as he turned to the letter case, striking the table a resounding whack with his

fist.

Mat trembled at this tirade. Bob looked at him and said to Cy: "Keep your feet on the floor, Cy. The kid didn't understand. We'll go over and put the labels back."

They went into the storage car. When they were out of heaving.

When they were out of hearing, Bob said: "Don't let it get you down. We all make mistakes. The guy who never made a mis-take, never did anything. Don't pay too much attention to picklepuss Cy. He's a good guy at heart when you get to know him."

Mat glanced out the window.

Smoke and steam blurred his smoke and steam blurred his view. The clicking of the rails kept time with his troubled thoughts. Daylight was beginning to break in the east, as the train rumbled through open country. The larger towns were passing, only a few smaller ones were yet to be served. At these the train did not stop. As they flew past, Mat watched Bob rush to the door and catch a pouch hanging on a crane. At the same time he threw off the mail

crane. At the same time he threw off the mail.

The letters were all distributed. Mat's progress had been slow, but with Bob's help and encouragement he didn't do so badly. He sighed with relief turning to Bob. "What should I do now?"

Bob answered glancing out the window to locate the next town:

window to locate the next town: "Might as well ite 'em out now; won't get any more. We'll hold only the closing packages."

He made a dash for the door and raised the hook. Mat watched with the control of the control o

him very much interested. The pouch hit the hook with a thud and Bob swung it into the car.

"Almost missed that one," he said dumping it on the table.
Mat watched Bob as he tied out the letter packages.

"Now watch elseely then you

the letter packages.
"Now watch closely, then you can try it." Bob explained. "Hold the package in the left hand. Wrap

around the long way first, then the short way. Notice how I roll the string with the front finger of my left hand to make the knot. Then break the twine or it can be cut whichever is the easiest for

Mat pulled a package from the case and tried just as Bob had told him. His attempt was awkward. His front finger was stiff and wouldn't roll the twine. He got it tied, but is was far from

"You'll get the hang of it," Bob encouraged. "Keep on trying and after awhile you will do it as well as I do:

as I do."

He watched Cy tieing the packages on the other side of the car. He noticed how quickly he did it, and how neat they were. Cy glanced at Mat, noting the package he had tied. With a sly grin on his face he said: "Keep on trying; takes a lot of practice. That package looks the way a woman would wrap up a sack of groceries."

Mat smiled in spite of himself. "It sure is wobbly. No doubt your first attempt was just as bad."

Cy merely grunted at this; Bob laughed outright as he made another dash for the door. "Just in time," he laughed as he came to the pouch table. "Didn't see the water tank that time."

Mat pulled another package

Mat pulled another package from the letter case just as the car made a sudden lurch. The letters slipped from his hand and scattered over the floor.

He dropped to his knees to pick them up. "Durn the luck!" he muttered, arranging the letters all facing the same way.

muttered, arranging the letters all facing the same way.

Bob grinned. "Just part of the days work," he said. "Never have been able to understand how they can mix up so badly just droppin' 'em on the floor."

He straightened up with the letters in his hand reaching for the string. A backward lurch of the car threw him off balance and he rammed his head into the letthe car threw him off balance and he rammed his head into the let-ter case. The letters again scat-tered over the floor.

tered over the floor.

"Well, I'll be d—!" he mumbled again picking the letters from the floor.

He looked disgustedly at Bob sitting on the edge of the table laughing.

"What are you tryin' to do, Mat?" he taunted. "Bunch them on the floor and then tie 'em?"

Straightening up he grinned at Bob and went on with the tieing.

It started to rain as the cases were cleared. It pounded against the car with increasing violence. The train slowed down as the rain came down in torrents. It slackened to a drizzle as they neared Westfork Falls. This was a small town, but several bags of news-

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papers were to be put off there.

"Mat," Bob said. "Will you throw off a couple of bags at the back door? There are a few too many for me to handle."

Mat looked up in surprise.
"How am I to know where to put them off?"

"It's easy," Bob explained.
"Throw them off in the street crossing just past the depot."

He went to the door. The rain was blowing in his face, and he could dimly see the station. Through the smoke and steam, he glimpsed it as it rushed by. He waited an instant, then kicked them out. He hadn't judged the speed of the train correctly. The papers mised the street and landed in a puddle of mud and water. He leaned out of the car to see if they were damaged. The wind caught his cap and it went sailing after the papers.

They were not damaged, only the bags were wet and muddy. When he came to the other end

They were not damaged, only the bags were wet and muddy. When he came to the other end of the car, Bob was laughing. "Didn't tell you to throw your cap off too," he said. "More tough luck," growled Mat smoothing the hair from his forehead and wiping the water from his face. "Bob, darn it all! I'm going to break this jinx. Let me make a catch. I can do it. I know I can. What do you say?" Bob looked soberly at him. "O.K. Might as well learn now as any time. Just one more town to catch—Watts Mills; will be about ten minutes before we get

about ten minutes before we get there."

There was a long, sharp blast of the whistle. The car lurched from side to side as the engineer applied the brakes. Cy and Bob scrambled for the safety rods overhead, and Mat followed them, is face showing how scored he his face showing how scared he was. There was a loud crash, and was. There was a loud crasn, and the train soon came to a sudden

stop with a grinding of brakes.
"Must have hit a car," Cy said as the three clerks dropped to

the floor.

Bob opened the door and look-out. He could scarcely see any-thing for rain and steam. Mat thing for rain and steam. Mat sat on the table. He was trembl-ing and his face was deathly pale.

Cy acted unconcerned.
Several minutes passed. The conductor walked past the door where Bob was standing. They heard him say to the engineer: "There was no one in the car; had

"There was no one in the car; had time to get out, but the auto is demolished."

After looking the train over, the conductor gave the signal for the engineer to proceed.

Bob turned to Mat. "Do you still want to make that catch?"
"Sure I do. I am all right now, but I admit I was scared."

He walked to the door as the train neared town. Bob followed him.

ed him.

"We pass a large brick building just before we get to the crane. Get all set and I will tell you when to raise the hook and throw

He was in the door with his hand on the catcher arm. It was not raining so hard now. He saw the brick building go by. He turned quickly to Bob. "Let 'er go!" Bob called loudly

and Mat threw out the pouch and raised the hook.

It hit the pouch with a crash. The pouch rebounded from the hook and fell to the ground. Mat looked out to see what happened, holding to the catcher. Bob yelled: "My God! Mat! Let loose of it!"

warning came too late. The hook hit a water plug, straighten-ing it out, and jerking it from his (Continued on page 8)

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CANADIAN PRECANCELS.

Have been checking over several small lots of mixed Canadian precancels lately. There are several comments to make. First observation is that there seems to be very few medium scarce Can-adian precancels. Either they are

adian precancels. Either they are common or very scarce.
Numeral precancels are the bulk of mixed lots now and even the old common Montreal, Quebec and Toronto George VI issues are not found frequently. One fact not often thought about is that all Canadian precancels are Press printed. Some poorly inked specimens may look as though they are handstamps but that is not the case.

they are handstamps but that is not the case.

The last publishing of a catalog was made in 1947. This was the Fourth edition. Hoover Brothers were the publishers.

For a study that requires measuring comparisons and the like the General Bar Types of Canada seem to have all those virtues if that is what they can be called. In most cases the Bars of Canada are not confined to use at one ofare not confined to use at one of-fice and are not catalogued in

fice and are not catalogued in that manner.

In the U.S.A. we try to pin a TOWN or CITY tag on every bar precancel and thereby cause a lot of confusion and errors. It seems that the Bar precancels of Canada could be used at various offices on certain types of mail. In fact Canada still uses Bar precancellations on coil stamps, and also on regular issues.

tions on coil stamps, and also on regular issues.

This column is open to criticism of the above stated facts if in error and is also open to any new or interesting information on Canadian precancels. They are a wonderful group to study and quite likely a lot of interesting things can be brought out if they would be collected more widely.

HILLSBORO, OHIO.

Hillsboro, Ohio has been listed as authorized to use precancels. As yet no precancels have been seen from that little city. Its importance lies in the fact that it is next to the last OHIO county seat to use precancels.

Ohio has 88 counties and previously 86 of the 88 had used precancels. Hillsboro makes the 87th county seat town using precan-

want to collect all cities and towns want to collect all cities and towns have cut down the number in this manner. Since a county seat is almost always a large town or small city, (quite a few large cities) and has businesses of importance they are almost always precancel towns. A county seat collection of all the states makes a nice collection.

Maybe you belong to the Rotary Club, I know of one collection who is making a Town collection of Rotary towns and cities. This

of Rotary towns and cities. This could be done with other clubs no doubt.

NOTES.

An OHIO commemorative from Albany, Georgia. A Nato from Blanchester, Ohio. A beautiful Integral from Homer, N. Y. on the \$1 Presidential.

I have a surplus of a small OHIO town on the 1c President. I will give one to each LINN'S reader for return postage. This is not an approval scheme or anything of the like. You will get the stamp and that is all, period.

A Madam President For New York Club

One of the most avid of fair sex collectors in the "big city" has been elected to the presidency of the Metco Stamp Club composed of employees of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Co, in New York City. She is May Rogers who will serve in the top office for

will serve in the top office for 1953 and 1954. Other members of the official family are vice president Walter Wycherley; treasurer Arthur J. Dean; and secretary Hazel Clau-

Joseph P. Furey was again chosen as editor of the club's Metco Messenger, a post he will now fill for the 17th consecutive year.

Elected President For Seventh Term

Members of the East Toronto, Canada Stamp Club returned Her-bert F. Nicolle to the president's chair for the seventh time at the recent election for officers. Others in the official family are vice pre-sident W. J. Cafley; secretary R. Sturgeon; treasurer E. Mor-

Meetings to which interested col lectors are invited are held the first and fourth Mondays at the Ulster Temple, 214 Main St. in Toronto. There are no meetings in July and August.

Benjamin Franklin, Washington cancels. Hillsboro makes the 87th county seat town using precancels. MacArthur, Ohio is still to be heard from.

A lot of collectors who do not stamps in 1947.

Benjamin Frankin, Washington, Lincoln and the Statue of Liberton are all pictured on stamps issued by San Marino to mark the centenary of United States postage stamps in 1947.

Sponsor Cachet For City's Centennial

On August 20-23, Selinsgrove, Pa. will celebrate its 100th anniversary as an incorporated borough. As a part of the celebration, the West Branch-Susquehanna Valley Stamp Club offers a printed cachet cover for those interested in obtaining a souvenir of the occasion. The cachet will picture the old Pennsylvania Railroad Canal which paralleled the Susquehanna River during the

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Minnesotans Elect Hanson President

Members of the Minnehaha Stamp Club Minneapolis, Minn. have just elected new officers to run things for the next fiscal year. Virgil Hanson is the new year. Vir

president.
Vice presidents are Robert Jiracek and Mrs. Oscar Berquist; secretary Roy Hansen and the treasurer Ronald Holtmeir.
Meetings open to visitors are held the second and fourth Fridays at the Citizens' Club, 2010 Minnehaha Ave.

Collectors Club Official Family

Under the new officers and governors for the year, who are only slightly changed from those of 1952, the Collectors Club, New York, is progressing steadily with new developments and continuing what was begun in recent years. The extension of club services, the improvement of meetings, and the induction of new members progresses at an excellent rate.

At the annual meeting of the Collectors Club, New York City, Sidney F. Barrett, Richard S. Bohn, William R. Rankin and Mrs. Louise Dale were re-elected as governors for three-year terms. Winthrop S. Boggs was elected as a new governor.

ernor. The board of governors then

chose officers as follows: president, John J. Britt, who had served as vice-president in the previous year; vice president, William R. Rankin; secretary, H. D. S. Haverbeck, and treasurer, Edwin E. Elkins.

The trustees remain as in 1952; Richard S. Bohn, Edwin S. Elkins and Oscar R. Lichtenstein.

MEET THE BOSS (Continued from page 7)

hand. The wooden handle hit him in the face, and Mat stag-gered across the car. Bob caught him before he fell to the floor

He was stunned but not badly hurt. A small lump appeared on his forehead where the catcher hit him. He turned to Bob, discouragement showing plainly in his face.

"I guess I'm just a plain flop. Why did I ever want this job in the first place?"

"Cheer up, Mat," Bob consoled him. "It's liable to happen to anyone. Dont let it get you down." Then in a teasing tone he added: "You know, Mat, you were supposed to catch a mail pouch, not a jet bomber."

Cy expanied the lump on Mat's

Cy examined the lump on Mat's head. Satisfying himself he was head. Satisfying himself he was not seriously injured, he bluntly said: "You must have been born on Friday, the thirteenth."

on Friday, the thirteenth."

The train arrived at Minneapolis about an hour late. Mat and Bob unloaded the car. After a light breakfast, Bob took him to a hotel near the station. They rented separate rooms. As they went up the steps, Bob told him: "Get some sleep and be ready for the return trip. I'll get you up in plenty of time and see you don't oversleep. I know it was a hard trip for you, but perk up, man, you'll be O.K. Get some rest and you'll feel better."

Mat turned to him as he entered his room.

Mat turned to him as he entered his room.
"I'm tired and disgusted with this job. I know I was a complete flop, and besides that Cy doesn't like me; acted just like I was no good, and I guess he is right."
"Oh, forget it," Bob consoled him. "You'll look at it differently after you've had some rest, and

after you've had some rest, and don't take it to heart about Cy. He isn't a bad guy at all. Get a good rest and you'll feel better."

rest and you'll feel better."

He undressed quickly and crawled into bed. He was tired and discouraged. He never knew how long he slept. It must have been hours. Suddenly some one was pounding on the door. He aroused enough to ask: "Who's there and what do you want?"

riedly dressed. Now, who could this "boss" be that wanted to see him? Was it Cy or the District Superintendent? Where they going to fire him because of the boners he had made? They could take their old job if it was going to be so tough. He was fed up with it anyway.

He went quickly down the

He went quickly down the stairs to the hotel lobby. He stopped at the bottom of the stairway and looked around. Bob was standing there with that sly grin on his face. Where was Cy and the Superintendent? Who was ever there in the corner behind the Superintendent? Who was

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Taking a few steps, he came face to face with Ethel Barton. He noticed she was smiling.

"Hi Mat!" she greeted him, rushed over and threw her arms around his neck. She kissed him on the cheek. on the cheek.

He was dumfounded, but com-posed himself enough to blurt out, "What's the meaning of all this?

this?"
"Why, Mat. I'm glad to see you."
She smiled at him releasing her arms from his neck. "Bob says you were just grand; that you weren't afraid to tackle anything and could take it."

He drew a deep breath. Was he awake or was this a dream?
"This was all planned to surprise you," she rattled on, "Came on the same train with you to visit my aunt."

my aunt."

He looked at her in surprise,
Things were beginning to clear
up in his mind.

Ethel locked her arm in his and
smiled sweetly.

"I told Bob in that note to have

you meet me after you had res and, honey—" she teased. " and, noney—she teased. You silly goose, you were a wee might jealous, too, weren't you? Fess up now, weren't you? You tried so hard to let on you didn't see me give Bob that note."

Mat smiled at her. His troubles

Mat smiled at her. His troubles were melting away. Turning to Bob, he spluttered: "But you said I was to meet the boss!"
Bob laughingly answered as he pointed to Ethel.
"There she is or I don't know my cousin. I want her to be happy with a nice guy like you."

'Editor's Note:-There are sev-'Editor's Note:—There are several ways in which our readers could be told about life in the Railway Mail Service. As for example, a cold recitation of facts and statistics, or combining these same facts with interesting fiction, as in "Meet The Boss", the story above by Mr. Love. Mr. Love and us both would like to know if our readers like the above type presentation—if you do, he has more "factual fiction" on the RMS. Wont you drop a card to aroused enough to ask: "Who's there and what do you want?"

"It's me, Mat," he recognized Bob's voice. "Get up. The boss is down in the lobby and wants to see you."

Mat jumped out of bed and hur-

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AUSTRALIA — On September 3, a 3½ pence stamp is to be issued to commemorate the twenty-fifth anniversary of the establishment of the Young Farmers' Clubs. The stamp, a bi-color, the first one that Australia has issued, will be on sale approximately one month, unless sold out sooner.

The design will show a boy and a girl with a calf. The date of issue coincides with the opening day of the Philatelic Exhibition in the Town Hall, Brighton, Victoria.

ECUADOR — Word has been received that the 2 Sucre brown Consular stamp has been overprinted, AUSTRALIA - On September 3,

sular stamp has been overprinted, in black, in three lines: "Aero—60—Centavos."

FRANCE — On June 13 an 8 franc reddish brown adhesive was issued in memory of General Leclerc. The stamp shows a portrait of Leclerc, armed tanks and is inscribed "Koufra-Strasbourg."

NETHERLAND ANTILLES — A 22½c brown adhesive, picturing Fort Beekenburg has been issued. The stamp pictures the Fort and has inscribed the dates "1703-1953".

PERU — Issued recently were the following: a 2c lavender stamp, picturing the Hotel Turista-Tacna; a 3c blue, showing the Ministry of FRANCE - On June 13 an 8

a 3c blue, showing the Ministry of Public Welfare Building; a 50c green and a 2S green, picturing a monument to agriculture.

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The design is typical of Old Florida with a Seminole Indian in the foreground, his canoe beached alongside the alligator he has just slain. Palms and other features typical of Florida, and the S. P. A. emblem in the upper right corner fill out the intriguing design.

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Plan Organization Of **APS Writers Unit**

The American Philatelic Society has announced that plans are being formulated to organize a Philatelic Writers' Unit with the purpose of mutual assistance, discussion of problems, possible improvement in the presentation of information, and the general promotion of stamp collecting.

According to a spokesman, the new unit will cooperate with major philatelic projects and organizations, and lend itself to any event

tions, and lend itself to any event similar to the Fresh Air Fund auction.

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When the 1937 coronations were announced, dealers, remembering the experience of the Jubilees, OVER BOUGHT this issue. As a result of some hoarding, certain countries were in short supply and prices advanced.

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When the collector demand was satisfied, there was a slump in sales and when dealers were compelled to convert surplus coronations into cash, the prices went down until these sets could be bought below face value.

The popularity of all George VI stamps spread to these coronations, so that the large surplus was gradually absorbed with advancing prices. These sets are in demand now.

All stamps of Queen Elizabeth

All stamps of Queen Elizabeth are as popular (possibly more) as the George VI stamps and it is probable that we will soon hear of the scarcity of certain sets, espe-cially the high values, such as the single 2/6 stamp of Southern Rho-desia which are usually prepared desia, which are usually prepared in limited quantities.

Prices of the 1953 coronation sets

will probably advance and whether this advance is maintained and continues as it did with the Jubi-

continues as it did with the Jubilees, depends entirely on the surplus, if any, in the hands of dealers and speculators.

The present demand for these sets is so large that there is a possibility that any surplus stock that exits will be aborbed, which will result in higher prices.

If, however, there is an excess

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If, however, there is an excess surplus, the usual inevitable reaction will result.

GREAT BRITAIN. The 4 pence stamp of 1938, No. 241, is quite scarce and due for a substantial increase in price. It is mentioned by Fyndem as the good "Fynd" of the week. While quite scarce in London, it can still be bought here at about the Scott catalogue price of 15c.

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AUSTRALIA. All stamps of Australia are popular and in demand. One of the hardest sets to locate is the 1940 set, No. 184-187, which should be increased in price soon.

BAHRAIN. The 1938-41 set (20-31) is quite scarce. Probably the the 1942-46 set the 6\(\textit{L}\). stamp is scarcer than the catalogue price of 35c would indicate.

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GREAT BRITAIN. All sideways watermarked stamps are elumive and hard to obtain in mint condition. These stamps were issued in coils for use in vending machines. Especially elusive are the 1929 issue, No. 205-207. These are good now and will get better as prices

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delegation of such members headed by vice-president Fred Ba-rovick, and Stephen G. Rich, treas-urer, have signified their intentions of making the trip.

Mexico Re-Issues Current Airmail

According to Ralph E. Ogden of Cuernavaca, Mexico the current 35c airmail stamp has been re-is-sued from new printing plates. The color is a darker violet with some retouching evident in the design.

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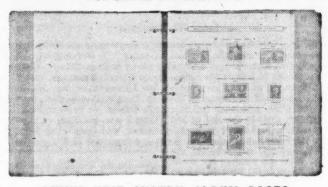
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who is willing to impart his knowledge on Canadian constant varieties.

This young man is Hans Reiche. And I know him quite well. He is keenly interested in stamps of Canada. As a matter of fact, he was one of the few interested collectors who helped me to reorganize the RA Stamp Club in the fall of 1947. Then I was president of the RA Stamp Club. And today he is the president, and from what I gather

suggestion in the House of Com-mons as well as to the members

of the press.

In fact, I am of the opinion this is the most foolish of all proposals for a commemorative

Canada.

The Post Office Department's

ruling on issuing commemoratives has been and still is that they are to be issued only for national his-

Stamp Club. And today he is the from the news that reaches me, is doing a grand job in this position. Well, anyway, that's beside the point. What the readers are more interested in is the booklet that he is planning on releasing to the general public on Constant Plate varieties of Canada.

About three years ago he published his first booklet, listing all the major varieties and where they are located on the sheet. While the booklet didn't list what the varieties are worth on the stamp market, it nevertheless made a big hit with the collecting fraternity.

raternity.
Since his first attempt at publishing a booklet was so much of a success, he was given enthusiasm to go ahead and bring out a better edition. better edition.

better edition.
According to word I received from Hans, this future booklet will contain prices of all varieties and some photos.
Readers of this column specializing in Canadian stamps should place this publication on their "must" list. For to be without it they will certainly be in the "dark" in forming a collection of Canadian stamps.
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Hans didn't reveal the cost of this Handbook, as he calls it, but he did say that it would be very reasonable.

For further information I would strongly urge the readers of this column to communicate with Hans Reiche, Apartment 18, 235 Cooper St., Ottawa, Canada, And I am sure that Hans reither the strength of the st that Hans will be only too glad to give you any information that you may desire.

Well, it's certainly encouraging to know that this feature is being well-received.

well-received.
This columnist received a very favorable "fan" letter from Captain G. A. Zientowski of Bergstrom Air Force Base of Austin, Texas. Many thanks for those complimentary remarks, Captain!
And from Woonsocket, Rhode Island, comes word from Dr. J. Edgar Tanguay, that, he, too, appreciates this column, especially the one about the Canadian imperforates of 1937. O.K. Doc, I shall continue to write the column so long as you like it.

As reported earlier in this news-As reported earlier in this newspaper, there is a strong movement by Toronto Members of Parliament to have the Postmaster General of Canada issue a commemorative stamp honoring Canada's first subway.

Incidentally, this movement is favored by the majority of the population of the Toronto area for the subway referred to is in that

the subway referred to is in that Canadian city. But, Postmaster General Cote

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torical events, not for purely local

while it has been reported in many of the newspapers in the States that this will be the next commemorative of Canada, I am sure that the PMG and his associates will report leave the proclams. will never allow themselves be associated with such low

It is quite true that this is Canada's first subway, but it is equal-ly true that this is only a local

If the Department did go ahead and honor it, which I think they will not, then they (the officials)

will not, then they (the officials) are leaving themselves wide open for numerous other smaller events which will have to be marked by commemorative stamps.

Just because we have completed our first subway is no reason for the population to go to their Members of Parliament, especially in Toronto, to seek aid in this subject.

To conto, to seek aid in this subject.

TV has just come to Canada.
Cancer Research is making big headway. Both these great accomplishments as well as many other important subjects similar to Canada's first subway would have to be commemorated by stamps.

And the situation isn't different in this particular case. Shall we open the door to other commemoratives for minor events?

In conclusion, while the press in the States is stating that the Canada's first subway would have to be issuing a stamp for the first subway, I really believe that the

That would eventally mean that Canada would be issuing stamps for practically everybody's home town "first."

As a matter of fact when Winnipeg was celebrating its centenary, the postal officals at Ottawa turned down a request from the mayor five years ago to have a stamp issued to henor that Canadian western city. ern city.

ern city.

The reason given was that it was purely a local event—not a national historical occasion.

When Barbara Ann Scott, Canada's figure skater, won the Olympic skating championship in 1948. in Switzerland, there was a move-ment in Canada to have a special stamp issued in her honor. But, again the postal officials declined, stating that the only living people to have their features reproduced on postage stamps were the members of the Royal Family. And the situation isn't different

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